BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2000-400-C - ORDER NO. 2006-667

NOVEMBER 14, 2006

IN RE: Request of GTE South, Inc. for Name Change of Incumbent Local Exchange to Verizon South, Inc.

ORDER GRANTING
CONFIDENTIALITY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Verizon South, Inc. (Verizon or the Company) for confidential treatment of the Company's Third Quarter Service Report for 2006. The applicant represents that the filing contains confidential information which is proprietary and /or commercially sensitive, and/or competitively sensitive and/or trade secrets. Since the Report contains proprietary and competitively sensitive information concerning various parameters measured by the Company, we grant the request for confidential treatment.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 30-4-40(a) (1) (Supp. 2005) states that a public body may exempt "trade secrets" from disclosure, which include materials containing references to competitive information. Accordingly, we grant the request for confidential treatment in the present case. Verizon's Third Quarter Service Report for 2006 shall be maintained under seal and withheld from public disclosure.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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